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Paul A. Farrar, et al.

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For: METHOD OF FORMING BURIED
CONDUCTOR PATTERNS BY SURFACE
TRANSFORMATION OF EMPTY SPACES
IN SOLID STATE MATERIALS

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S.
patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Page 2, line 5, after the title, please insert the following paragraph:

--This application is a divisional of application Serial No. 09/734,547, filed on
December 13, 2000, which is hereby incorporated by reference.--

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-45.